The Funny Side of Dress-Making.

[Chicago News "Rambier."]

"Dress-making has its humorous side at well as anything elso," romarked a little black-syed dress-maker on North Clark street. "There is the thin woman who will dress in snaky stripes, the scrawny girl who insists on a decollete gown, the matron of embonpoint who pleads for flounces to the waist, the mateb-like maiden who wants a torturingly light bodice, and the fluffy-puffy little body who wants gathers.

"But I never give in to them," she continued, with a snap of her eye; "I think too much of the human race. I believe we all have one duty toward humanity. Mine is to k ep women from committing artistic suicide. The little idiots come into my parlor. look at a fashion-plate, discover the picture of a lady in green gloves bolding her flugars as if they were covered with molasse-candy, and decade that they want a dress like hers. Now, there are ninsteen chances out of twenty that the dress was never meant for her at all. If they think so much of dress why don't they make a study of it.

"There is a certain righ lady here, with the face of a madonns, who came to me last week with goods for a plaid dress! I wouldn't make it for her. 'Madame,' I said, 'you must dress in gray silk.' I had my way. There wasn't a bit of trimming on that dress—nothing but draperies—and she looked like a goddess. Then another mistake is the universal adoption of a color because it is announced to be fashionable, regardless of the fact that the majority of the wearers are making perfect guys of themselves. Hellotrope is a point in question. There is a young bride ou State street who came home from Europe last week with a dress of heliotrope. Her skin is as dark as a Spaniard's and her hair and eyes are jet black. She would have been magnificent in dark reds or a cloud of black lace—but hellotrope!" and the little dressmaker nearly died in esthetic pain.

Sensible Girls.
[New York Herald.]

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The Rev. Mr. Walker was in sarcastic mood at the Baptist ministers' meeting the other day. With a cynical expression curling round his lips, he said: "I have heard girls tease their mothers for hats and planes, but I never heard one cry for a broom and dustpan."

No; and he never heard one tease for the toothache, either. Girls are sensible

No; and he never heard one tease for the toothache, either. Girls are sensible enough to know that the two most disagreeable things on the planet are a broom and a dustpan. When a man is seated in his easy chair looking over his newspaper a sight of toese two implements of household warfare makes him success in anticipation of what is coming. He is rooted out of the sitting-room, then out of the parlor, and, last of all, out of the house.

One can look at a specter at midnight with more equanimity than at a woman with a broom in one hand, a dustpan in the other, and an expression of face which shows plainly that a whole legion of "cleaning house" demons have taken pos-assion of her. Why should young girls cry for such things.

A Decorated Goblet. [Scientific American.]

An interesting home-made method of natural decoration consists simply in taking a glass or goblet, and placing in the interior a little common salt water. In a day or so a little common salt water. In a day or so a slight mist will be seen upon the glass—hourly this will grow, until in a very short time the glass will present a beautiful appearance, the glass being enlarged to twice its thickness and covered with beautiful salt trystals, packed upon one another exactly like some pecumar fungus or animal growth. It is necessary to place a dish beneath the glass, as the crystals will run over, if the term can be used.

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The glass can be made additionally beautiful by placing in the salt and water some common red ink; this will be absorbed, as it were, and the white surface covered with a rich red coat, which in turn can be covered by blue or any color by the introduction of inks or tints. No more simple mathed of producing inavancies and ple method of producing inexpensive and beautiful ornaments can be imagined, and by using different shapes of vases and shades, an endless variety of beautiful forms can be produced, pleasing alike to

Reading with Thought.

An intelligent wher, being complimented upon his son's acquirements, simply replied; "I am happy that he reads with thought." Happy, indeed, may every parent be whose child "reads with thought," for that "thought" will be to him a mighty weapon in life's battle. Too much time is wasted in thoughtless reading; too little time is devoted to careful, analytical reading. Children should be taught at an early age to read critically, and the habit thus formed will enable them, as they advance in years, to enter a golden reaim that must otherwise remain closed to them. How very few persons there are who are competent to pass judgment upon a book, to appreciate its beauties and detect its flaws in thought or style? How many are there who can permrier-Journal. style! How many are there who can per-ceive a faulty plot or really enjoy a log-ical one!

Steamed Oysters.
[Washington Cor. Globe-Democrat.] [Washington Cor. Globe-Democrat.]

Another dish which originated in Washington is steamed cysters. All over the city you will see signs that the restaurants within have them for sale. The cysters are cooked in the shell in wire buckets holding a pack or a half-peck in steam reservoirs. A half-peck is the amount of the customary miler for one. After steaming, the shells open easily, and "the shucker," or opener, picks out the cysters, and, with a dexterous twist, throws them into a soup plate. A half-peck in the shell nearly fills the plate with cysters. Now a little tutter, paper, salt, and Iemon juice, and you have the freshest, sweetest dish of cysters that can be gotten up.

A New Cooking School.

[Chicago Journal.] ston is to have a new cooking school for Boston is to have a new cooking school for young ladies and a school on an elaborate scale. Once a month there is to be a grand dinner, the different courses cooked by the pupils who, with their classmates, can invite gentlemen friends to the feast. Physicians are looking forward to the results of these dinners with considerable professional interest!

The Delights of Nature.

[Exchange.]
It seems hard to shut the children up in the school-room at the very time when they might be enjoying most the delights of na-ture. At what other time could such stud-les of color be made! The crimson fire of the swamp maple, the yellow gold of the gum tree and the chestnut, the rich bronze of the oak and dogwood, the royal richness of golden rod, sumach, aster and rudbeckia, cell forth admiration from even the least observant. Then, too, the nuts are ripo, and even those children who can scarcely be induced to walk for the mere sake of exercise will now gladly tramp any distance for the pleasure of picking up the fallen

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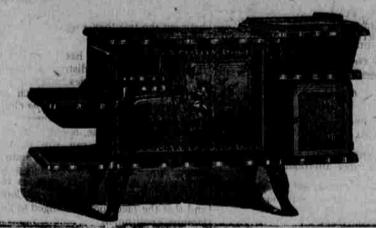
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